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AMUSEMENTS.

Grand-"Fleur-De-Lis."

Della Fox, the blonde lily among comi opera oubrettes, has been the victim of cruel practical joke. She appeared at the Grand last night for the first time in two years and the large and good-natured audience yoted her younger, prettier and more vivacious than ever. Not long ago a viariolic story was started in Chicago to the effect that La Della was growing old so fast one could see her golden hair turning gray during the performance; that when she danced her joints cracked like rusty hinges on the proverbial barn door and that she never smiled any more lest her teeth might fall out and roll over the footlights for the jeunesse doree to catch and hold as souvenirs. There were people who half believed the story, but it is plain joke. Della Fox has evidently been bathing in boiled milk and drinking at the fountain ance here as a star and her press agent should be called down for not keeping the public informed. Once on a time Della threatened to become as bulbous as May Irwin. When last seen here she was flesh. ing up like a Dutch frau, but now all that is charged and her plump and graceful little figure is back to the old form of the successful days when Hopper and Fox made a team in comic opera that has never been beaten. Della is as lissom as when she used to sing "Those Ruby Lips" and she can sing better than she ever could. She been largely discarded and her chest tones tave and a half of good singing register. It her role and encroaches on the prima donna at times. She is as graceful and fluffy as a kitten with a blue ribbon around its neck and her brown eyes are as brilliant

'Fleur-de-Lis" is more of an operation farce than a comic opera, and a trifle less piquant than that screaming success, "The Little Trooper," which she will give at both performances to-morrow. It is well supolied, however, with bright musical numbers for both chorus and principals, and some of them more than ambitious in character. In her singing support the stirring baritone voice of Hugh Chilvers is a distinct treat in a city that has had so little of good operatic singing this season. Considering his magnetic personality and manly action in connection with his well cultivated voice. Chilvers can come pretty near "chinning" any man in his class in comic opera. While he is heard only in the baritone role, his voice is really a deep basso. The public generally does not know that, until two years ago, he was abroad ten years, singing in the great capitals of Europe in grand opera. He stood alongside of Melba at Muan, and has made the hit of his life in Nice and Florence in the heavy operas. He carries the first act of "Fleur-deLis" and is the first one to make a hit after the curtain goes up. After his solo, "First a Smile and Then a Frown," the encore was as hearty as if he had been the star. Later. in the sextet of the finale, the audience had another opportunity to revel in baritone pleasure. The role is niggardly in the suceeeding acts, and Chilvers has little show. Harry Macdonough, the leading comedian, begins to prospect soon after, and when MacDonough goes prospecting he is sure to turn up laughs as rapidly as Jefferson De Angels ever dared. De Angelis made a hit with his legs when last seen acre, but Macdonough shows that he is equally clever. Alf Whelah, with Henry trying's King Arthur make-up is a good mate of Macdonough and the two never grow tiresome. The rest of the company makes good all that can be said, even to the smartly-moving chorus. Under the baton of Director Francis the ensembles went like clock work, while the pretentious and heavy security is

a compliment to the production. "Fleur-de-Lis" will advertise itself and may be expected to have even a larger audience to-night than actended the opening. Park-"Town Topics."

A lively performance is "Town Topics," and the dull moments in it are so few that the audience fails to remember any and goes away feeling as if the time bad not been wasted. The piece is probably the best farce-comedy seen at the Park this season. It is not because the plot is better. but because the company is excellent and the piece moves with a dash. There is no "dead-wood" in the company. Every member can mustle and de something to contribute to the entertainment. The girls are prettily dressed, sing well and dance well. Beatrice Norman, Nellie Sennett, Elsie Nugent, Lillian Heckler and Laura Wainsford make up an attractive feminine contingent, Miss Norman's travesty, with Mr. Tenbrook's assistance, is among the clever features. There are a score of bright bits introduced-nothing "draggy" or at all dull-and the audience is never iven too much of a good thing. John World's eccentric dance is as good in its

general excellence, Frank Coverly, William Keller, Joseph Harrington, James Ten-brooke and W. H. Mack keep things going in the style so necessary to such a piece. "Town Topics" is well strung with vaudeville acts of the better sort. The finale to the second act, where the tramp rides a bicycle right across the footlights on out over the audience is startling and very funny. A rope hooked to his back lifts him into the air, and the curtain drops as he swings under it, while the audience shouts its approval of its unique ending. "Town Topics" will attract large crowds to-day and to-morrow. It opened well yesterday. On Thursday "Peck's Bad Boy" will follow for three days.

Empire-London Belles. The distinctive feature of the Rose Sydell London Belles show, on at the Empire for all week, comes at the finish of the performance. The Bickett fam'ly - father, mother and daughter, the last being about thirteen years old in appearance-give a performance on the flying trapeze that, for grace and finish, is not often surpassed. The musical turn of the Four Emperors of Music is notable for being musical as well as more or less amusing, concluding with a faithful imitation on brass of various styles of alleged bands that infest a suffering country. Campbell and Shepp have improved their German comedy act and it is now funnier than ever. The Sisters De Ive are a pair of clever song and dance soubrettes. Fry and Walling's dialogue in their sketch of "The Flirt and the Po-liceman" is bright and nearly all original. Hart and Walling open the olio with an eccentric and fairly entertaining sketch, introducing the masculine half of the team as a marionette. The performance opens and closes with burlesque, the first one being a little more on the order of legitimate farce than is usual in such performances. The usual matinees will be given.

Opera Company Terrorized. SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 8.-Superintendent Russell Harding, of the Great Northern Railway, has received a report from the agent at Shelby Junction, Mont., to the effect that the members of the Columbia Opera Company were roughly treated by a gang of cowboys upon their arrival there. As the train carrying the theatrical people pulled into the depot the cowboys greeted it with a fusillade from their revolvers. After the "tenderfeet" had alighted the cowboys proceeded to enliven them. For three hours the members of the opera company were terrorized, their tormentors firing revolvers, fighting with the men and insulting the women. When the station agent interferred the cowboys threatened to kill him and he was compelled to hide in a warehouse near by. The sheriff was armed with a warrant, searching for the perpetrators of the out-

Notes of the Stage. Minnie Maddern Fisk has closed her season in "The Right to Happiness" in order to prepare for her production of a dramatization of Thomas Hardy's "Tess of the d'Urbervilles," which, by contract with the author and Harper Brothers, she must appear in not later than March 1,

The well-known Schrode Brothers, acrobats of much reputation, head the list of "Superba's" specialities this season. Miss Frances Hartley, a woman with a voice that ranges three octaves, will sing some dialect songs; Miss Blanche Seymour, a clever soubrette, will do some unique dancing, with vocal and instrumental accompaniment, and Sarony Lambert will add some of his eccentricities

Dickson & Talbott have hit on an original way to ask the ladies to remove their hats, A sign is quietly slipped from the first entrance in front of the curtain just as the overture begins and allowed to remain dursary for the management to request ladies to remove their hats." At the Grand last night was the first appearance of the sign, and it was greeted with much applause. This method of notifying the ladies of the requirement of the ordinance is much less offensive than in some Chicago theaters, where a bell boy shouts, "Hats off, lay-dies!" just before the curtain goes up.

The success of Walker Whiteside at the Herald-square Theater, New York, last season, indicates that he is aiming to be the coming tragedian who is to take up the mantle of Booth and Davenport. The critics of New York accepted his interpretation on Hamlet with great warmth. His work in this shows deep analysis and original conception, while his elecution was commended on all sides. Probably no actor who has achieved fame is less known than Walker Whiteside. He started in his profession at the top round of the ladder. Edmund Kean burst on the London world like a brilliant meteor in the darkest night, and Edwin Booth played Hamlet at the age of nineteen. Mr. Whiteside's presence on the American stage at a time when the legitimate drama is a happy event. It justifies the commonly accepted saying that great actors are born, not made. His repertoire at the Grand this week is: Thursday, "Merchant of Venice:" Friday, "Richelleu;" Saturday matinee, "Hamlet;" Saturday night, "Othello.

FAIR WEATHER TO-DAY.

Prediction and Observations of Local Forecaster Wappenhans. Forecast for Indianapolis and vicinity for

the twenty-four hours ending 11 p. m. Feb. 9-Fair weather on Tuesday. General Conditions Yesterday-The low

barometric area extends along the Atlantic coast; a high barometric area central over as many men as possible work, the yard score which Della could not reach and the leading tenor or some understudy would leading tenor or some understudy would lead to be that there were parts in the Score which Della could not reach and the leading tenor or some understudy would least of the Mississippi valley and it rose part of it being divided into four sections west. Rain fell near the Atlantic coast and finale, but now Della sings every note of snow in the Ohio valley and near the lakes.

FORECASTS FOR THREE STATES. WASHINGTON, Feb. 8 .- For Ohio-Cloudy, followed by fair; northerly winds. For Indiana and Illinois-Cloudy, followed | and by fair northwesterly winds, shifting to

northerly. Local Observations Monday. Time, Bar. Ther, R.H. Wind, Weather, Pre-29 98 North. Lt. snow. 0.27 30 84 N'west, Cloudy. T p. m. .30.21

Maximum temperature, 33; minimum, temperature, 28. 0 27 Departure from normal Total departure since Feb. 1...... *14 -0.08

Total departure since Jan. 1.. ..-48 *0.65 C. F. R. WAPPENHANS. Local Forecast Official.

Yesterday's Observations.		
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Bismarck, N. D *4	10	10
Buffalo, N. Y 32	36	32
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Cairo, Ill 34	34	30
Cheyenne, Wyo, 18	42	36
Chicago, Ill 28	32	20
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Vicksburg, Miss 44	41	45

*Indicates below zero.

Washington, D. C...... 36

Suicide of a Postoffice Clerk. PENSACOLA, Fla., Feb. 8.-Donald Mc-Clellan, general delivery clerk at the postoffice here, shot himself through the temple with a pistol at noon to-day and is now dying. He was arrested at the instance of Postoffice Inspector Resson for writing improper letters to a prominent and respectable married woman of Pensacola. He committed the deed when placed under arrest. He has always borne a good character.

Big Purchase of Print Cloths. FALL RIVER, Mass., Feb. 8-M. C. D. day 750,000 pieces of print cloths, regular Robert Thomas, 2,680 yards, at 1734 cents, weaves, at 29-16c. This is the entire stock \$475.70; Section F. E. B. McComb. 2.773 of regular goods held in this city. There | yards, at 27 cents, \$748.71; total \$4.069.49. The is talk in some quarters that Mr. Bor- commissioner employed James B. Nelson to den's purchase may have the effect of superintend the work. He is to receive \$175 breaking the curtailment agreement. The for his services. way as anything in the performance. John | manufacturers are very reticent on this | The specifications provide that the la- to attend the University day exercises at | Dismissed. Cueen's black-face specialties and his work | Subject. Thomas

MR. TEETER'S INSURANCE COMPANY, WHICH HAD BUT \$14 ASSETS.

Court Records Not Made Public-Experience of Lawyers in Prosecuting Their Clients' Claims.

The record in the Circuit Court of the appointment of a receiver for the Union Fire Insurance Company (with \$14 assets and \$13,000 Habilities) simply shows that the petition was filed Jan. 14 and that the same day Henry L. Smith was appointed receiver. The officers of the court claim there was nothing whatever out of the ordinary routine in the proceedings, although they were kept off the public record given to the newspapers. The company was represented and made no defense to the application for a receiver. Judge Allen said yesterday that he distinctly remembered one feature of the case. The attorneys had agreed on Henry L. Smith for receiver and suggested that he be appointed. It had already been stated that the company had no assets. Judge Allen remarked that Mr. Smith was a friend of his and he did not care to appoint him receiver of a company that had no assets and no means of paying for the services of a receiver, unless it was Mr. Smith's desire to be appointed. Upon being assured that Mr. Smith had been consulted and was willing to take the thankless and unremunerative position, he was appointed. The entry docket in the clerk's office

returnable Jan, 25, which would have made the first hearing of the case on that date. It seems, however, that the company waived this time and appeared the day the application was filed. Henry H. Hornbrook, of the firm of Duncan, Smith & Hornbrook, who brought the suit for the appointment of a receiver for the Union Fire Insurance Company, was seen yesterday in regard to the matter. Mr. Hornbrook said there had been nothing irregular about the proceedings and no attempt, so far as he knew, had been made

to keep the facts from the newspapers,

shows that the case was received and filed

Jan. 14, and that the summons was made

"For some time I have had pany, my clients being the Eicken-Weil Packing Company, of Evansville. The claim was for only \$300, and was an unpaid fire loss. President Teter, of the Union Company, kept putting me off with promises to pay and talk of reorganization. finally grew tired of having it hang on so long, and brought suit for the appointment of a receiver. There are other lawyers here who have claims against the company. McCullough & Spaan have one for \$750, Fred Joss has one of \$450 and Ritter & Baker one of \$400. I understand the liabilities are about \$11,000 or \$12,000, and I suppose the Journal's statement of the assets, \$14, is about correct. They may have some claims against their agents, but these can hardly be called assets. I believe about \$3,000 of the liabilities is unearned premiums, but the rest is unpaid fire losses. John A. Finch also has a small claim against the defunct company for a client in Chattanooga, Tenn. He said he also had been put off by Mr. Teter's promises of reorganization, "and now," said he, "the

way he reorganizes is to go into the hands of a receiver and sell his charter to Mr. Mr. Finch was warm in his condemnation of the methods of the special charter companies, of which the Union Fire Insurance Company was one. Said he: bad insurance laws and seem to have no idea of how to protect themselves. The list of the old charter companies which become insolvent, go into the hands of a receiver and then sell the old charter. With the old charter a new company is organized and things go on as before. I don't know what Mr. Coffin is going to do with his newly acquired charter, but I suppose he Mr. Finch said he had been since 1878 try-

lation in Indiana, but for some reason his bills have failed each year in one house or the other Now the Commercial Club bills. Legislature. Mr. Finch does not claim that the bills are perfect, only that they will company to operate under any charter ever granted, so that the charter of the Union Company and others like it will still be amendment only as a peace measure, in order to remove opposition to his bill, other portant. He expressed himself yesterday as strongly in favor of some legislation of companies not now doing business under them. This would knock out the Union

WILL COST OVER \$4,000.

house Yard Let.

Fire Insurance Company and others in the

Contracts for Cutting Down Court-

cutting down the courthouse lawn. to the southwest corwest ner. The contract for Sections A, B, C and D was let to J. C. Purdy at 21 cents a yard. The bid of Robert Thomas for Section E was 17% cents a yard and was accepted. This is the only section he bid on. E. B. McComb offered to take the whole work at 27 cents a yard, or any part of it at the same rate. His bid will be accepted for Section F. There were thirty-two bldders for the work and their bids had a very wide range. The highest was 68 cents a yard for the southwest section by R. N. Young, and the lowest was that of Robert Thomas for the southeast section. The fol-

lowing are the bids in full: Bidder. . E. 42 V. M. Baker 42 /2 42 42 G. D. Tincher 25 28 30 G. D. Tincher 25 O. D. Shover 27 C. G. Walters W. C. Smith & Co. 39 39 R. N. Young 461/2 471/2 471/2 491/2 65 68 Samuel Hanway.... Robert Thomas E. B. Millhouse .. 411/2 441/2 44 41 45 45 R. B. Drake 39 J. H. Furnace 441/2 49 49 451/2 481/2 48 W. F. Marsh C. C. Franke E. B. McComb Menry Maag 52 Gansberg & Roney .. F. Kenaington ... 40 Keers & Larhman 34 34 34 34 Fred Rosemeyer. 32½ 32½ McCray & Co..... 37½ J. C. Purdy 21 21 W. S. Laporte Fisher & Co 431-3431-3. J. H. Forest John Moore 46 John H. Roberts., 39 44 44 A. B. Shover 40 M. F. Marsh . Bessert & Baxter, 351/2 351/2 351/2 351/2 37 37 Michael Flaherty, 40 42 45 *Whole

It is understood that the bid of Thomas was made very low on account of the fact that he had ten teams which are now idle and he wanted something for them to do and was willing to take a part of the work at a very low figure. The other accepted bidders have no teams of their own and this will give more employment to the poorer class of team owners who depend upon their teams for a living. The original plans for the grade have

been changed somewhat, thus reducing the number of yards of dirt to be removed about one thousand, and the cost about \$2 -000. The following figures, giving the number of yards to be removed by each contractor and the cost to the county are based on the old plans, the exact figures under the new plans not being available: Sections A, B, C and D. J. C. Purdy, 13.-Borden, of New York, has purchased to- 548 yards, at 21 cents, \$2,845.08; Section E.

of this county for at least six months prior to the letting of the contract. The contractor is to remove all dirt and stone with-in the inclosure of the fence, but not the fence, and the dirt and stone is to be his own property, except the stone flagging eading to the entrances to the courthouse which is to belong to the county and be removed to any place the commissioners may direct. It is this feature of the contract that has made the bids on the two south sections higher than the bids on the other sections. These sections include all the tone flagging. The work will begin as soon as the contractors, can get ready to put men at work, and according to the terms of the specifications, must be completed by

MASQUE OF THE TURNERS

Independent Organization Gives Its Annual Ball.

The Independent Turners held their annual masked ball last night at Turner Hall, corner of Ohio and Illinois streets. About one hundred couples took part in the grand march, and a motley array it was. There were stately knights and dames in court costumes, charming Gretchens in dainty one "make-ups" never seen anywhere but at a masked ball.

and they had full sway to air their graces. They were both extremely graceful and the lady's hoopskirts took well with the the "Weary Waggles" act in good shape, both in costume and action. One of them had a bicycle made of out of what seemed to be a collection of sawlogs, on which he navigated about the hall. Perhaps the most artistic of the characters was an old German emigrant with a pipe as long as himself, a huge valise with the motto, "To America," a blonde beard pointing heavenward, and a pair of wooden shoes which clattered cheerfully of the fatherland. The "Yellow Kids" were there with their flaring ears and extravagant The floor committee-Adolph Siedensticker, Will Leffert, Will Shreve and Alonzo Schmidt-were costumed in colonial garb and looked "taking" in their knee breeches, cocked hats and powdered hair.

There were eight young ladies dressed in the style of 1830, with the wide-spreading of the red-garbed demons seemed extremely of a dainty maid in white. Little Bo-Peep was there with her rod but not her sheep, though she had a flock of young men about her to take their place. All of them had good time and were rejuctant to go home. Masks were removed at 11 o'clock and supper was served down stairs. After that the

A NONOGENARIAN DEAD.

Rebecca H. Lockwood, Well Known in Methodism.

Rebecca Howard Lockwood died Sunday in this city. She was born in Bourbon county. Kentucky, Aug. 2, 1804. She joined strong mind and memory. She had been an active member of the church until old age disabled her. Her house in Kentucky was always open to welcome the ministers and for nine years it was the preaching place in that neighborhood. Many of the early leaders of Methodism had eaten at her table. Her Husband died in this city Mrs. Lockwood left three daughters sur-viving her, Mrs. John P. Rouse, of New Mexico: Mrs. Eti F. Ritter, of this city, and Mrs. Salem B. Town, of South Bend,

the time of her death. Died in His Chair.

Ind. Her daughters were all with her at

James F. Saxton died at his son's residence, No. 9 Harvey street, yesterday afternoon while setting in a chair. He was sixty years old and paralysis brought about his sudden demise. Mr. Saxton formerly resided near Kokomo. He leaves one son and two daughters.

Capt. J. H. Oglesby's Funeral. The funeral of the late Capt. J. H. Oglesby will be at 10 o'clock this morning from the residence, 871 North New Jersey street. The funeral will be private.

PERSONAL AND SOCIETY.

Miss Bessie M. Eagle will leave soon for few days' visit in Chicago. Miss Lida A. Davis will leave soon for visit in Peoria and Henry, Ill Miss Lula Lockwood will entertain a few friends this evening, at her home on Ash

The members of the L. L. Club enter-The Misses Dresser have taken apart-ments at No. 22 East Thirteenth street (old Home avenue) with Mrs. C. B. Holloway. Mrs. Horace Wood has issued invitations for a reception Thursday afternoon, Feb. 18, at her home, on North Pennsylvania

Mrs. L. B. Freeman entertained a number of friends handsomely yesterday in honor of Mrs. Faber's guest, Miss McClintock, Mrs. S. C. Holmes and ars. Powers will receive informally Friday afternoon for their guest. Miss Weller, of Louisville.

There are no invitations. Miss Harris, who has been the guest of Mrs. Marvin Rice-Maxwell for a short time, will return to her home, on Governor's island, New York, to-morrow. Miss Nannie RaNewcomer will go to St

Louis Friday to visit Mrs. Tilton, daughter of ex-Governor Stannard, who was schoolmate of Miss Newcomer. The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor will give a valentine social on Friday evening at the residence of Mrs. Downey, No. 4 Cornell avenue. Unique favors characteristic of the occasion have been prepared.

Mrs. Charles F. Sayles, Mrs. W. J. Richards, Mrs. W. H. Coleman and Mrs. W. J. Holliday will go to Washington, D C., to represent the Caroline Scott Harrison Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at the meeting to be held there

Edna Stevenson, daughter of Mrs. William Stevenson, of North Alabama street, gave a plano recital Saturday afternoon before a number of invited guests. The young player gave a very nicely prepared pro-gramme of compositions by Hitz, Heller, Godard, Bachmann, Kuhlau and Durand. Mrs. Frank Burke gave a card party yesterday afternoon in honor of her sister, Mrs. Frank Griffith, of Columbus. There were six tables, and the decorations of the rooms were of pink roses. Delft articles were given as prizes. Among the guests were Mrs. Almond. Mrs. Virginia Norton and Miss Jean McCann. all of Jefferson-

ville, who are visiting Mrs. Burke. Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Buchanan entertained friends last evening, having as their guests of honor Miss Yarnell, of Fort Wayne, and Miss Fawcett, of New Albany, who are visiting the Misses Wishard; Miss Scoville, of Evansville, visiting her sister, Mrs. W. N. Wishard; Miss Brigham, of Syracuse, N. Y., visiting Mrs. C. E. Hollenbeck, and Miss Weller, of Louisville, visiting Mrs. Holmes. The evening was spent in music and one of the popular guessing

The Ladies' Aid Society of Memorial Presbyterian Church will serve a luncheon to their friends at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Homshire, on College avenue to-mor-row noon. Miss Nellie Jordan, Miss Gage, Miss Gertrude Ryan, Miss Josephine Har-bison, Miss Addie J. Prahm, Miss Belle Bartholomew, Miss Susan Greenwood Brown, Mrs. George W. Benton, Mrs. P. W. Bartholomew, Mrs. A. G. Brown, Mrs. A. F. Prahm and Mrs. W. F. Graham will assist Mr. and Mrs. Hornshue in receiving. SPEAR-ARBUCKLE

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. GREENSBURG, Ind., Feb. 8 .-- Prof. Horace N. Spear, of Louisville Theological Seminary, was united in marriage to-day with Lillie Arbuckle, of Sardinia, Ind., at the Hotel DeArmond, by Rev. T. A. Aspy.

Bishop White Will Speak. At the meeting of the general committee

on the University day celebration last night a letter was read from Bishop White accepting the invitation of the students to deliver an address at Tomlinson Hall. It was also decided to invite the Governor. the other State officers, the members of the Legislature, the mayor and members of the Council to attend the meeting. An invitation was also extended to the students of the public, business and professional schools and colleges of the city

HOME NEEDS ATTENTION | olis; to 1 by court.

GRAND JURY VISITS BOARD OF GUARDIANS' INSTITUTION.

Poor Conditions Surrounding the Little Ones There-Old Morris Homestead Tax Case on Trial.

The grand jury made a partial report yesterday and will make another to-day. The report made yesterday is of little interest to the public, but it is expected that the one to come to-day will contain matter in which all are interested. Last Saturday the members of the grand jury spent the entire day at the Board of Children's Guardians' Home, and found many unpleasant conditions. It is understood that nothing was found which reflects in any way upon those in charge, for it is said that bonnets, tramps, Irish, Dutch, Bowery | the matron and others who have charge of Anns and "Chimmies," and a thousand and the institution are doing good work with but little in the way of material assistance. The main faults found by the investiga-Fred Mack and Harry Essden covered | tion, and which will probably be included themselves with glory in a genuine colored in the report of institutions, lies in the cake walk. The floor was cleared for them I fact that the home has not been given the proper attention by those charged with providing a suitable place for these homeless children. It was found that the sleepcrowd. There were two "hoboes" who at- | ing apartments are entirely inadequate and tracted no end of attention also. They did that the provision for the comfort of the children amounts to almost nothing. It was found that thirty-five children occupy the place, while for beds they use small cots. There not being enough cots for all, in many cases two children occupy one narrow cot, sleeping at opposite ends, with their feet together. These cots are crowded together in a very unsanitary manner.

The kitchen was found to be in good condition so far as cleanliness is concerned, but entirely inadequate to the needs of the institution. It is a small room, probably not more than 8 by 10 feet, and has a range that is too small for the purpose and which will not get hot enough to properly cook food.

Probably the greatest objection to the hoopskirts of that day, who attracted a home comes from the condition of the yard good deal of notice, both from the gentle- surrounding it. The yard has a dirt sur- standpoint of the profession; but when the very time they step out of the house. It is a mire from one end to the other for several months in the year. This precludes the possibility of allowing the children any outdoor exercise for several months each

The sewerage of the place is bad. There

the home to Pleasant run, but no outlet could be found, and the bad odors that arise gives color to the belief that the While the children were found to be kept looking neat and clean at all times, it was dressed in what would be termed rags in any home in the city. In some casese the holes have been patched, but in others they are still there, and act as ventilators. It is not known that these things will be included in the grand jury's report, but this the state of affairs as it exists at the and yet be quite deficient in that class of home, and the grand jurors saw the condi-

and the grand jury recommended the release of James Welch, held for burglary, and Charles Smith, held for petty larceny, The indictments that were made public are George Jones with intent to murder.

John Ryan, Jan. 22, burglary of the storehouse of Daniel Maroney, 142 Michigan street, Haughville, and larceny of thirtythree dollars' worth of watches and jew-Joseph Griffin, Jan. 27. larceny of one overcoat valued at \$12, one pair of trousers

valued at \$5 and one suit of clothes valued at \$20 from Elza Schooley, 178 West Mary-Joseph Griffin, Jan. 27, larceny of one vercoat valued at \$10 from Harry Alsop, 178 West Maryland street. William Dark, Jan. 29, entering the storeroom of the Pink Shoe Manufacturing Company, 25 East South street, for the purpose of committing a felony and the larceny of

fifteen pairs of shoes valued at \$30. Pleasant Glenn, Jan. 30, assault on Philip Brock, a farmer living on the Bridgeport road, and robbery of \$136 in money. Tillie Aikens, Aug. 15, 1896, larceny of one set of dishes valued at \$8, five jars valued at \$1 and one castor valued at \$5 from Anna Stewart, 9 Wilcox street Charles Rounds and Joshua Mundon, Jan. , entering the storeroom of the Gordon-Kurtz Company, 141 South Meridian street, to commit a felony and larceny of eleven

robes valued at \$30. Foster Parker and Robert Ellfott, Jan. 23. larceny of two vests valued at \$5 from John Clune, World's Fair.

OLD MORRIS HOMESTEAD.

The Tax Case, in Which It Figures, Goes to Trial.

Yesterday, in Room 1, Superior Court, began the trial of the case of Thomas A. Morris against the city to recover taxes paid on the old Morris homestead in excess of the county rate. This homestead is now platted and many lots have been sold. It enue, and Thirteenth street (old Home avenue) and Eleventh (old Morrison) street. This made a tract of land of about twenty acres. Before the passage of the law giving Indianapolis a special charter there was a provision that any land lying within an incorporated town or city in one tract in excess of five acres, which was used solely for agricultural purposes, should not be assessed for taxes by the city or town. This ated several particulars in which it exlaw was repealed when the city charter In 1894 Mr. Morris brought suit for the repayment of city taxes paid on this tract of land, claiming that it came within the statute of limitations barred him from claiming further back than six years from the filing of the suit, which would go back

provision of the law quoted above. to 1888. Practically all questions in the suit have been determined except whether the land was used solely for agricultural purposes. It is claimed by the city that it was not used for agricultural purposes within the meaning of the law. It was shown that a large portion of it was taken up with the lawn and driveways to reach the Morris home and that on the southern part of it there were several houses which were rented and brought an income. It is also contended that the little cultivation of the place was not of a nature to bring it within the meaning of a provision describing land used for agricultural purposes.

Divorce Complaints.

Last Saturday night Lee Synder was arrested for striking his wife, Maggie Snyder, with a saw. Yesterday morning Snyder was fined \$1 and costs for being drunk and \$1 and costs and sentenced to the work- of school work in the State. That looks house for sixty days for the assault on his wife. Snyder made such abject pleas and strong promises that the committment on the sixty days' sentence was withheld by Judge Cox. but Snyder was sent to the workhouse to work out his fine and costs. Yesterday afternoon his wife filed suit for divorce. They were married last June. Mirtle Reno filed suit for divorce from Charles Reno. She says her husband has struck her so many times that she cannot name the dates. One day he struck her seven times and at another time he threw she was sleeping. Still another time he playfully threw a lighted lamp at her. Grace Howard asked to be divorced from and failure to provide

Street-Car Argument Postponed. Judge Baker expected to hear arguments yesterday in the case of Church and others against the Citizens' Street-railroad Company, but Mr. Winter, one of the defendant's attorneys, could not be present at the time fixed and the argument was postponed until Wednesday morning.

Federal Grand Jury.

Judge Baker yesterday made an order calling the federal grand jury together for session beginning Feb. 17. There have been but few arrests in this district for violations of federal statutes, and it is probable the session of the grand jury at this time will be short,

THE COURT RECORD.

Superior Court. Room 1-John L. McMaster, Judge. Charles Richard vs. Benjamin L. Darrow. Taken under advisement. Squire Hughes vs. Frank Newby et al. mechanic's lien. Dismissed. Maloy & Egan vs. Anna Stepp

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olis; to recover overpald taxes. On trial

Room 3-Vinson Carter, Judge. Peter Olsen vs. John O. Connor; lien. Dismissed and costs paid. Indiana Construction Company vs. Wiliam C. Cochran, trustee; lien. Dismissed John A. Smith vs. James A. Everett; on account. Trial by court. Taken under ad visement

Room 2-Lawson M. Harvey, Judge, August Duner vs. Roger A. Sprague note. Judgment by agreement vs. defend-ant for \$284.37 and costs. James McQuown vs. Mary E. McQuown; divorce. Decree granted plaintiff. Susie A. Koeppen vs. John G. Johnson; lease. Submitted to court and taken un Fred Garrison vs. Nonie Garrison; di-

vorce. On trial by court. Circuit Court. Henry Clay Allen, Judge. Howard Perry vs. George Coble; on count. On trial by jury.

New Suits Filed. Mirtle Reno vs. Charles Reno; divorce Grace Howard vs. James Howard; di

James R. Kavanaugh vs. Daniel Shayne replevin. Circuit Court. Martha C. Rifner vs. Charles M. Cross, rustee; for specific performance, Room 2. Petition of Mason's Union Life Associaion of Indianapolis to change name. Cir-Ida M. Thomas et al. vs. George Haglesamp; to set aside judgment. Room 3. Maggie Snyder vs. Lee Snyder; divorce.

THE GEETING BILL.

Genesis and Animus of the Educational Measure Now Pending.

To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal: Let no one disparage the educational bill known as the Geeting bill because it is the joint product of the committee on legislation appointed by the State Teachers' Association instead of being the creation of the state superintendent alone. The unification of its many new provisions and adapting them to so much of the old law as is permitted to remain show the hand of a master, and that hand is presumably his, For forty years every alternate session of the association has been largely devoted to proposing such modifications of the school laws as have seemed desirable from the ble." Read "THE REAL IS-Legislatures have attempted to apply their ideals to real life very few of them have Legislators have to deal with conditions, not with theories. It is possible, for instance, to conceive of a condition of society

in which the process of obtaining state licenses, which is proposed by the bill and the relation of them to the superintendency of our public schools may be feasible, but men of affairs like legislators are apt to say that time is not now; that at present the proposed method would be more likely to foist upon the people a pedant whose only qualification for the place is his certificate than to give them a man of culture and broad attainments. A man may be well up in the specialties of his profession as a lawyer, doctor, preacher or teacher, scholarship which entitles him to a standing among literary men. Such a thing has been known as the holding of a teachers' license of high grade by those who could not be admitted into the literary clubs of the community in which he was the ranking school officer; to say nothing of the ack of business qualifications which are so indispensable in a school superintendent as the executive head of the schools of the city or township. As between an educated man of affairs with broad cuiture, yet possibly deficient in some of the technicalities which the tread-mill cramming system of modern teaching has made a test of fitness, and the mere qualifications that are necessary to obtain a license to teach school, practical men will always give preference to the former. Take as examples the superintendents we have had in Indianapolis under the present system. None of them was elected on his license alone, and yet it would be difficult to find riper scholars or wiser superintendents, though not one of them held a state license obtained through the process prescribed in this bill. The same is substantially true of our county superintendents. They have been men of fitness for the place as business men as well as by learning, though possibly not up to the standard in pedigogy that this bill contemplates. Possibly also in some cases politics may have played a part in determining a choice between them and others equally qualified, but they have

been none the less efficient on that ac-A most striking example of the wisdom of the present law was seen the other day Superintendent Mackintosh, of Spencer, had been brought up to defend this special feature of the bill, but he gave his cause away the very first word by saying he owed his place to the "pull" he had upon the school board that elected him, yet he will admit without argument that he is not only well qualified for his office, but the very best man for the place then available, and all who know him readily concede that the board made no mistake in selecting him. Even the guilelessness with which he made his plea for the present system when intending to antagonize it does not bespeak unfitness for the place, but rather otherwise. It will be hard to convince the Legislature that a system of selecting city and county superintendents which gives us such men, as Mackintosh and Study and Hamilton and Busby and the whole band of them, with rare exceptions, needs any radical change such as this bill proposes, merely to put the educational interests of the State into the hands of a close corporation—a "combine," as it were, such as the State Teachers' Association

wants to become. President Parsons's eloquent plea for the scheme proposed in the bill. He enumerpropriate \$600 and furnish the plant for every graduate in pedagogy that the nonstate colleges would turn out, they might furnish graduates who would not only be their equal in teaching qualifications, but they might at the same time acquire a knowledge of the liberal arts that the State Normal does not pretend to give. If he did not laugh in his sleeve when putting stress upon the fact that every one, before enter- | more than it would cost to build an ordiing his school, contracts to teach in the public schools of Indiana a given length of time to reimburse the State, then he is incapable of being moved by the ludicrous. As a matter of fact, persons under this contract have left the service of the State as teachers at every stage of advancement; and those who have been graduated only await a better opening to engage in law or medicine or housekeeping, and not once has suit been brought to enforce the contract, or to recover the \$600 expended by the State in his or her education, or any partment. The objection to the bill is that, while the State makes provision for only a handful, the bill proposes to give this mere handful preference in all departments very reasonable to the State Teachers' Asto constitute it a close corporation for school purposes. U. L. SEE. Indianapolis, Feb. 8.

Trustee Looney's Objections. To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal:

Mr. W. W. Thornton, in the Journal of

Feb. 1, replying to a former article of mine as to Section 1 of the Geeting educational bill, now before the Legislature, began by two townships and what would become of two buckets of cold water on the bed when | saying: "Any one who will read the bill | the two other sides of each township? The will readily see that this township trustee | pupils located farthest from such building did not know what he was writing about pay for something that they get no benefit James Howard. She alleged abandonment and that he had not read the bill." I read from. the bill, and I also read between the lines, and have not changed my mind in the least about the bill's meaning. The bill says in the eighteenth line, as printed in the Journal, that he (trustee) "shall also establish and maintain in their respective townships. towns and cities at least one separate high school, into which shall be admitted all pupils who are sufficiently advanced for admission therein, or who have graduated from the primary schools of this State, and who are entitled to the privileges of the counties, including stationery, rent, prosecommon schools of such township, town or cution of trustees, etc. And then, there is city." In addition to the studies and the present publication law; this bill does branches of learning taught in the primary | not repeal it, and there are the county comschools of this State there shall be taught in such graded high schools of a township or town such other branches of learning and other languages as the advancement of the pupils may require, and the State Board | taxes are high, but when the Legislature of Education from time to time direct." The present law, Section 444, says he (the | \$50 to \$500 fine and imprisonment, as did the trustee) "may establish," etc., while the Roots bill that was killed on Thursday in proposed law says "shall" (mandatory), the House, does any sane man suppose we with regard to what the trustee says or are going to sit supinely still and lay ourthinks, and regardless of what the people | selves liable to such penalty as that? I do say when it comes to paying for this high | not see why the Legislature classes trustees school. All you have to do, Mr. Hayseed, as dishonest because one of the number is to walk up and pay the hill; you don't goes wrong here and there; perhaps some know what you want, and that trustee of member of the Legislature may go wrong yours is a back number. When you want | before he returns home anything call on us, and if we are not in Thomas A. Morris vs. city of Indianap- you will find Mr. Thornton in, and he will Rushville, Ind., Feb. 6.

House Furnishings

To-day and all this week our sale in the Housefurnishing Department will break all previous records. We propose to reduce this stock at least one-half. Prices will be made regardless of values. We must sell them at once. Read, for example:

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W. H. Messenger,

Furniture and Carpets, 101 E. Washington St. be glad to wait on you, or give you any destred information In my former article I gave some figures Since then I visited a township high scho in an adjoining township. I asked the high school teacher what the attendance would average. She said not over sixteen the last bimonthly examination, and part of these were eight-year pupils. That cost the town-ship a little over \$28 per scholar for the term of six months. Kind of expensive, Mr. Thornton, is it not? I would like to know

how much tax the average citizen who lives in an incorporated town or city pays for school tax. He does not pay any unless he has property in the township outside of the corporate limits. This section takes all aucourse of study and does not say how much high school work they will put in nor how little. The high schools of this county all have two years of high-school work. This bill gives the state board the authority to State Normal was equally fatal to the put in one, two, three or four years' work the higher the work the higher grade of teachers, hence higher priced teachers and celled as a school of pedagogy, but he failed to admit that if the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit that if the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit that if the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit that if the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished to admit the State would appropriate 2000 and furnished 2 as to course of study and vests it in the board. All that the trustees can do is to submit to the behest of the board if this bill becomes law and tax the people to pay the cost. When this is done, do not blame the trustees for high township tax, but put it where it belongs-on the Legislature. Mr. Thornton said something about building a high school building for but little

nary district house, as trustees could repair

some old schoolhouse at small cost. His

idea of asking high-school pupils to attend

school in some old house that had been re-

paired, badly located and inaccessible shows

how much he knows about the matter. We

country folks may have haysped in our

hair when we come to your city, but we can

give you pointers on a country high school Mr. Thornton says if I did not read the bill I was willfully falsifying, or in other words, lying. This latter quotation I take part thereof. No one objects to the work it for granted, refers to the latter part of of the Normal. It is excellent in its de- the section where it says that two or more partment. The objection to the bill is that, townships, etc., can build a high school building. The originators of this bill (I believe it is claimed to have originated at the State High School teachers' meeting) evidently became frightened at the sweeping demands of the first part of this section. sociation, but the Legislature is not likely | where it says the trustee "shall" build, and to give the authority of law to their scheme | concluded that they had better modify it a little, so they put in a saving clause for the time being. The school officers that live in incorporated towns and cities would evidently protest if trustees out of town were to try to run their schools, and they would be right. The rural trustees think they know something of the wants and needs of their townships. As to two or more townships or towns building such houses jointly, it is rarely practicable. If it were done it would have to be at the side of each of the

would be left out, yet would have to help

One of my high-school buildings cost \$5,000, exclusive of the grounds, out buildings, well, etc., while a new district schoolhouse that I built last summer cost a little over \$1,000. These things cost money, and when the Legislature passes such laws and the people want these fine things, what can the trustees do? If this educational bill passes in its present shape, especially Section 1, it will add \$100,000 or more taxes at least, and then if Senator Duncan's trustee bill passes (Senate bill No. 148), that will cost from \$25,000 to \$50,000 for the ninety-two missioners, who are already an auditing committee to audit trustees' reports; they will not give up their Jobs. Nobody knows better than the trustees that the township passes these laws and adds a penalty of

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